

AN ERUPTION OF KILAUEA

Kilauea is in a fine state of activity, according to the following wireless message received yesterday:

HILO, Feb. 24.—To George Lycurgus, Honolulu.—Fountain molten lava playing Halemau mau; lake hundred feet in diameter. Grand sight.

DEMOSTHENES.

HILO, Feb. 24 (2 p. m.).—To Wilder, Honolulu.—Kilauea broke out last night. Lake about a hundred feet in diameter with fountain. Am going up and will wire early Saturday.

McKAY.

HILO, Hawaii, Feb. 24.—Halemau mau, the crater at Kilauea, broke out last Tuesday evening and has been active ever since.

Spouts of lava from forty to fifty feet are continually playing.

An intense red glow hovers over the crater at night, with volumes of white smoke emitted during the day, accompanied by loud rumbling.

BROWN.

The Wilder Steamship Company may dispatch the steamer Kinau to Hilo this afternoon or early this evening for a special trip. The purpose is to take over any one who is desirous of seeing Kilauea in eruption. The company yesterday had made no definite plans, but with sufficient bookings, the trip will be made. Information as to the hour of sail can, of course, be obtained at the Wilder office.

LINDSAY GOT WELL AT THE VOLCANO

Judge Lindsay has faith in the Volcano House and the volcano itself as a restorer of broken-down health. The following note to his physician here gives an idea of what he thinks of the atmosphere at the volcano after convalescing there a month:

HILO, Feb. 16, 1905.

My Dear Doctor: Your idea of sending me to the volcano was a wise one, for I have gained twenty-five pounds so far. The climate is fine and bracing and you make no mistake in sending convalescents up there. Under the new management the Volcano House is fast being got into decent shape, and they set a table there that is not excelled by the Honolulu hotels. I came down yesterday. Sincerely yours,

(Signed) ALEX LINDSAY, JR.

BUILDERS & TRADERS STANDING COMMITTEES

The new president of the Builders and Traders' Exchange has appointed the following standing committees of the Board of Directors for the current year:

Membership. Directors—Marston Campbell, (chairman), E. R. Bath, Stanley Stephenson, A. F. Clarke and A. Gartley.

Rooms. Directors—James Nott, Jr. (chairman), A. F. Clarke, John Oudekirk, Thomas Sharp and E. R. Bath. Arbitration. Directors—L. E. Pinkham (chairman), S. Stephenson, G. F. Bush, Marston Campbell and A. Gartley.

Finance. Directors—A. Gartley (chairman), L. E. Pinkham, A. F. Clark, G. F. Bush and Thomas Sharp.

Legislation. Directors—Marston Campbell (chairman), James Nott, Jr., L. E. Pinkham, Stanley Stephenson and G. F. Bush.

Library and Complaints Committees will be appointed later.

It is proposed to affiliate with the National Association of Builders of America in the hopes of securing their assistance in matters of interest at Washington to Hawaiian builders and contractors.

Mrs. Silva Dead.

Mrs. Mariana Lima Vivas-Silva, mother of John Vivas-Silva, the well known inspector of the Board of Health, died of cancer at Kaimuki Hospital yesterday morning at 12:20. She was born in 1848 in the City of San Miguel, Portugal, her father having been a government prosecutor of that city. She and her children by her first husband, Manuel, John and Joseph A. Vivas-Silva and Mrs. Mary Hawkins, came to Hawaii over twenty years ago. In addition to the above children, Mrs. J. D. Avery and two younger sons, Antonio and Johnnie Silva, survive her. The services were held at the Catholic Cathedral, Father Valentine officiating, and the interment was at Pearl City yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Silva had been in the Queen's and later Kaimuki Hospitals one day less than ten weeks.

Tourist's Bad Death.

Mrs. H. P. Taylor, a visitor to the islands from California, died suddenly of apoplexy at the Volcano House last Tuesday. She was a widow about 66 years of age and only went to the volcano the last trip of the Mauna Loa, being in company with Miss Langdon of Ohio, a guest of Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Rogers of Honolulu. Mrs. Taylor had made the descent of the crater on Tuesday morning, and soon after coming up complained of illness. She died at 10 o'clock that night.

The American-Hawaiian liner Nebraskan was to have sailed at 5 o'clock last night for Kahului, but did not get all her cargo out in time. She sailed at 12:20 this morning.

KONA WOODS ARE AFIRE

About 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon Mr. J. W. Pratt, Land Commissioner, received the following wireless message from the local land agent at Kailua, John Kaelemakule: "Serious fires government land, Opihale, Kona. What action shall I take regarding same?"

Mr. Pratt at once conferred with Governor Carter, and the matter was referred to Mr. Hosmer, Superintendent of Forestry, who sent an inquiry for further information just before the wireless office closed Thursday night.

Early Friday morning the following message was received from Mr. Kaelemakule:

"Fire started Wednesday, Kaapuna and Kipahoe. Probably forty acres. No telephone in the vicinity; hard to get details. Very smoky over South Kona."

In order to get more detailed and definite information before taking action, messages were sent to Messrs. Geo. W. McDougall and L. P. Lincoln of South Kona, who live near the lands where the fire is.

At 6:30 Friday night Mr. Hosmer received the following message from Mr. L. S. Augst, manager of the Kona and Kailua Telephone Co., at Hilo, Kona: "Lincoln no telephone. McDougall not home. Kaapuna fire spreading rapidly, visible from here. Fresh southerly wind. Very serious. Advise you authorize McDougall take immediate action. Work night, get advantage mauka breeze. Also fire Bishop estate lands, Kahauloa, Honaunau."

Captain A. C. Simerson of the Mauna Loa says that the fire did not appear to amount to much when he passed South Kona Thursday morning. Certain Hawaiian passengers on the Mauna Loa, who are familiar with the district, report having seen both the fire on the government land and that on the Bishop estate—the former being much larger and brighter.

A conference is to be held in the Governor's office at 9 o'clock this morning to determine what and how much money can be spent in fighting the fire, and to authorize some local man to take charge of the work.

Tonight should see a gang of men at work in the woods. It is probable that the Bishop estate will also authorize the employment of a regular fire gang. There is no steamer to Hawaii until Tuesday next. Unless a Kona storm, with rain sets in, it is probable that Superintendent of Forestry Hosmer will go on the Mauna Loa, to take charge of the fire fighting in person.

MANGOSTEENS FROM LAHAINA

Gerrit Wilder brought some mangosteen fruit from Lahaina the other day which is exhibited in a Fort and King street window. It came from Mrs. Horner's yard from a tree planted by Mrs. Turton over twenty years ago. This is the only mangosteen tree in bearing on these islands except the one on the Gay estate, Kana'i. Mr. Wilder has made an attempt to graft from the Horner tree "by approach." He took seedlings from a tree of the same family, the Kama'i, and attached the two. He hopes in this way to get some mangosteens started on his fine place at Makiki and elsewhere in the city.

CONFIDENCE

said Lord Chatham, "is a plant of slow growth." People believe in things that they see, and in a broad sense they are right. What is sometimes called blind faith is not faith at all. There must be reason and fact to form a foundation for trust. In regard to a medicine or remedy, for example, people ask, "Has it cured others? Have cases like mine been relieved by it? Is it in harmony with the truths of modern science, and has it a record above suspicion? If so, it is worthy of confidence; and if I am ever attacked by any of the maladies for which it is commended I shall resort to it in full belief in its power to help me." On these lines

WAMPOLE'S PREPARATION has won its high reputation among medical men, and the people of all civilized countries. They trust it for the same reason that they trust in the familiar laws of nature or in the action of common things. This effective remedy is palatable as honey and contains the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. It quickly eradicates the poisonous, disease-breeding acids and other toxic matters from the system; regulates and promotes the normal action of the organs, gives vigorous appetite and digestion, and is infallible in Prostration—following Fevers, etc., Scrofula, Influenza, Asthma, Wasting Diseases, Throat and Lung Troubles, etc. Dr. W. A. Young, of Canada, says: "Your tasteless preparation of cod liver oil has given me uniformly satisfactory results, my patients having been of all ages." It is a product of the skill and science of to-day and is successful after the old style modes of treatment have been appealed to in vain. Sold by all chemists,

A WHITE MECHANIC GETS NO WORK FROM PLANTERS



CHARLES WAGNER.

—Advertiser Photo.

Editor Advertiser: Since W. O. Smith's statement in your paper that the Hawaiian Sugar Planters Association would make special efforts, both public and private, to fill skilled labor positions with citizens, I have called at their labor bureau under direction of Mr. Mead in search of work on an average of three times a week but have not obtained anything further than to get my name registered. Although I stated that I was very much in need of work, I did not receive the least encouragement.

I also inquired in regard to the statement the Planters' Association had made, that they would spend \$40,000 in bringing white labor, both skilled and unskilled, to the Islands, but was informed they would not spend a cent for such a purpose but had intended in case they were allowed to get Chinese contract laborers in here, to spend some money in bringing in an additional supply of unskilled Italian and Portuguese laborers.

Now it seems to me that the sugar planters with all their nice promises and statements in the papers, still follow their old custom of putting as many Asiatics as possible in the places of skilled workmen and compel the white mechanics to leave the Islands for lack of work.

After all the white workingmen are driven off the Islands, the Sugar Barons no doubt will say that white men will not work on the plantation in either skilled or unskilled positions and can not be obtained.

Is it not a fact, that already on some of the plantations only the manager is white?

To make a promise and to carry it out are two different things. Since the activity in the building line in the city got slack, a large number of citizens could be obtained to work on the plantations but they are not given any encouragement.

Now the only other place where a white carpenter might get work is for the Territorial Government; but when I called at the Public Works office I was informed by the Assistant Superintendent that the Government would not pay the standard wages, which is \$4.00 per day to any carpenter. He also stated that the man in the Government shop received only \$2.50 per day and if I wanted to work for the same wages I may get work.

As \$4.00 per day of eight hours are the standard wages for carpenters in this town, no self-respecting man would like to go to work under wages and scab on his fellow workmen.

The clause in our Territorial laws that only citizen labor shall be employed on Government jobs is therefore only for the benefit of Portuguese and Hawaiian carpenters, who can not demand the going wages of a journeyman carpenter.

A self-respecting white carpenter is therefore practically excluded from Government jobs also.

The majority of the citizens on the Islands have long ago ceased to employ white carpenters to do their repairing work and their new work is also given to Asiatics or to some white man who employs Asiatics, which is still worse.

Now in the States, when there is a depression in the building line a carpenter may find employment at some other business, but he cannot do it here.

When looking for a position, which he may capably fill, he will find that these positions are also mostly filled by Asiatics, for which we have to thank the misguided old women who are teaching them the English language in night schools and otherwise, that they may more effectively compete with the whites and natives and rout them out of their positions, by working for smaller salaries, thereby breaking up many heretofore happy homes and causing untold misery and even starvation among people of their own blood and creed. May they get their just deserves on judgment day.

But why should there be hard times on the Islands. Sugar is higher than ever, labor more plentiful and as cheap as it was before annexation, crops abounding, if it is not for the policy of the sugar planters to force the white middle class off the Islands, while they themselves spend their ill-gained dividends on the mainland or traveling in Europe and employ only a class of people, who send 50 per cent of their earnings, amounting to over \$5,000,000 per annum, out of the country.

Now the only chance the white mechanic will have here on the Islands, is to wait for the tourists to come; but the tourist can see most there is to be seen here by taking a trip through Chinatown in Frisco.

Thanking you for the space in your valuable paper in advance, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

CHAS. WAGNER.

COMPANY MEETINGS

At the meeting of the Oahu Sugar Co. held at the office of H. Hackfeld & Co., Ltd., yesterday, but one change was made in the officers, this owing to the intended departure of H. A. Isenberg, the retiring treasurer. The officers now are: J. F. Hackfeld, president; M. P. Robinson, first vice president; F. Lewis, second vice president; W. Pfotenbauer, treasurer; F. Klamp, secretary; A. Haneberg, auditor; F. J. Lowrey, J. A. McCandless, F. Muhlendorf and A. Focke additional directors.

Treasurer Isenberg's report showed a balance of receipts over disbursements of \$18,679.09, after writing off \$94,061 as depreciations. The net profit of the company for 1904 amounted to \$235,516.86, or more than sufficient to justify the payment of 6 per cent dividend on the capital stock, notwithstanding the fact that the company's debt to its agents could not be reduced owing to the unexpected large shortage of the crop.

"In conclusion," the treasurer says, "I beg to mention that the directors of the company have decided to increase the monthly dividends of 1/4 per cent to 1 per cent beginning with February 15, a. c. In view of the bright prospects on account of the expected large crop and the prevailing high price of sugar."

The cost of permanent improvements added during the year was \$118,463.03, and the balance on "Properties" account Dec. 31, 1904, was \$4,039,189.88, being a small increase in value over the corresponding date of 1903. Total of assets is given as \$5,130,005.22.

Manager E. K. Bull's report shows the output of sugar from 3164 acres to have been 20,869 tons, 1175 lbs. The yields of a number of fields were greatly decreased by attacks of the leafhopper the previous years. A crop of 30,000 tons from 4309 acres is estimated for 1905. There are 3758 acres for the 1906 crop.

"The mill is making a splendid showing this season," Mr. Bull says. "We are grinding an average of 1400 tons of cane per day, and have several days made runs of over 1500 tons, with an extraction of 95.2 per cent to 95.6 per cent."

KOLOA.

The Koloa Sugar Co. met yesterday, re-electing the following officers: Hans Isenberg, president; H. A. Isenberg, vice president; F. Klamp, secretary; W. Pfotenbauer, treasurer; Arnlin Haneberg, auditor; C. M. Cooke, Hans Isenberg, H. A. Isenberg, W. Pfotenbauer, F. Klamp, directors.

Manager P. McLane reported the crop of 1904 as 6175.54 tons sugar from 1614 acres, and estimated 6000 tons for the 1905 crop, with increases of acreage for 1906 and 1907.

A balance of \$172,758.81 was carried to the present year.

WAIMEA.

Walman Sugar Mill Co. held its annual meeting at the offices of Castle & Cooke, Ltd., electing the following officers: W. E. Rowell, president; J. A. Gilman, vice president; W. A. Bowen, treasurer; C. H. Atherton, secretary; W. T. Schmidt, director; T. Richd. Robinson, auditor.

Manager John Fassoth reported having taken off only 72 acres of ratoon the past year, which yielded nearly 252 tons. For the crop of 1905 an estimate of 1250 tons is made, and 1400 tons for 1906.

Operating expenses for the year were \$26,257.82. The liabilities, besides capital stock of \$125,000, amount to \$49,786.89.

OTHER COMPANIES.

Walman Sugar Co., Olowalu Co., Hilo Sugar Co. and Waiohinu Agricultural & Grazing Co., all held their annual meetings at the offices of W. G. Irwin & Co., Ltd., yesterday, but all being practically close corporations nothing was given out regarding them except that the reports in general were favorable. Only one stockholder outside of the Irwin interests attended the Walman meeting.

The Lihue Sugar Co., another close corporation, met at Hackfeld's.

TO OPERATE WIRELESS FROM COAST TO HAWAII

Hawaii will soon be connected with San Francisco by a wireless telegraph line if the plans of the American De Forest Wireless Telegraph Company do not fail. Abraham White, president of the company, is now in the coast metropolis, perfecting the plans. For some time engineers have been at work locating the five big stations to be erected in the vicinity of San Francisco. The company plans to have its line between that city and Panama open for messages first, and work on the stations to connect Hawaii, the Philippines and the Orient with San Francisco will immediately follow.

The De Forest system is in use between most of the large cities of the east and extends as far west as Kansas City. A station has recently been established at Denver and the gaps in the line of communication are rapidly being closed, so that within a short time messages will be sent from New York to San Francisco by wireless. The system is in use on many Atlantic liners and President White has opened negotiations with the steamship lines plying on the Pacific so that it may soon be possible for a man on the Ventura to talk to one on the Atlantic liner Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse while both vessels are at sea.

ENCOURAGE FARMERS

HILO, February 24.—The Hilo Board of Trade has under consideration and in the hands of a committee the subject of minor industries for this section of the island. On the committee are men who have had some experience with the soil and they are considering particularly the establishment of banana and pineapple culture by a large corporation. It seems to be the opinion of at least one member of the committee that the only way for the people to accomplish anything is by a combination of interests. What has resulted to the good of the grower in other places should follow here. The suggestion that a cannery be established will have full attention by the committee, and it may be proposed that the organization, that is, the Board of Trade, father the scheme to the extent that it will lend aid in the matter of promotion. The growers have nearly reached the conclusion that it is necessary to have an agent for the banana growers at the coast and an inspector here who will go into the fields and select the bunches to be shipped and at the proper time oversee the weighing of the bunches, for it is proposed, in order to encourage growers to ship only large bunches, to ship only by weight.

This plan was suggested by a commission man at the coast before bananas were grown here for export. If sufficient land is guaranteed for pineapples it is possible that a cannery would be started by local capital with the idea that the production would not be confined to canned pineapples and that chutney and jellies would form a part of the output. This report may be presented at the regular monthly meeting of the Board, which takes place on Friday night.

MATCH ARRANGED.

Doctor Jones has arranged a wrestling match between a man by the name of Parks, late of Scotland, and the champion Japanese wrestler known as the Honolulu Bull. The bout will be for the championship of the Hawaiian Islands. Mr. Parks has a record in Scotland for wrestling and he feels confident that he can throw the Japanese in two out of three falls. The style will be pure Japanese, which means that there will be no catching at the breech clout. This was the proposal of the bull and was accepted by Mr. Parks. The match will take place two weeks from Saturday at either the park or the armory.

HILO NOTES.

Mrs. D. Huntington and her daughter, Miss Gertrude Huntington, will be the guests of Mrs. Henry Hayes during the remainder of the month. Mrs. Huntington is the widow of Dr. D. Huntington of the U. S. Army, and she and her daughter are old acquaintances of Mrs. Hayes in Washington, D. C., where Dr. Huntington was located.

There was a slight suspicion of foul play in the case of drowning of the Japanese woman at Waialae last week, but an investigation proved the opposite to be the case.

The long continued drought has reduced the water supply of Olua plantation to an extent that the cane has to be taken to the mill by train instead of in the flume.

Sheriff Searle went to Laupahoehoe on Monday to look into the matter of applicants for the position of deputy sheriff there.

The race for the judgeship in the First Circuit is between Matthewman and Derby, with the latter's chances rather the best.

Judge Lindsay gained a pound of flesh a day during his stay at the Volcano House.

The Teinhardt are preparing to plant about thirty acres of their Olua land in bananas.

A. H. Jackson returned on Saturday from a successful insurance business trip along the Hamakua coast.

There was a material reduction in the number of bunches of bananas shipped on the Enterprise last week.

Trustee Richards of Moohau Park states that they have no money on hand with which to improve the park.

A planters' meeting was held last Thursday in Hilo of the managers of Hilo and North Hilo districts, and it was decided to send John T. Moir to represent the two districts at the quarterly meeting of the Planters' Association to be held in Honolulu March 6.

TRAVELERS FIND CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY EVERYWHERE.

Mr. C. W. Eckerman, manager of the Smith-Premier Typewriter Co. at Omaha, Nebraska, U. S. A., who is a staunch friend of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, says: "I have taken particular notice that this remedy seems to be carried by drug stores in all parts of the country, which is quite an item when one is traveling. It gives me pleasure to say that I have used it for years and have always found it highly satisfactory, effecting a cure in a shorter time than any other medicine." For sale by all dealers, Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., Agents for Hawaii.

President White seems to be in earnest and has already established a temporary station in the Palace Hotel in San Francisco, where tests are being made to determine the best sites for stations about San Francisco bay. According to the statements of the president of the company work on the Panama line will be commenced at once and the line to Hawaii will follow quickly.